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Naoyoshi CHINO, et al.

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COMMENTS ON THE EXAMINER'S REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Applicants offer the following comments in response to the Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance as set forth on page 2 of the Notice of Allowability dated June 23, 2006. The Reasons for Allowance merely loosely paraphrase claims 1-17 and, therefore, do not accurately restate the claimed invention.

Respectfully submitted,

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